



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 486

By Representative Montgomery

and

Senator Overbey

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Sarah Nancy Carr, 2011 Valedictorian of Pigeon Forge High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Nancy Carr is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2011 graduating class at Pigeon Forge High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Sarah has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Carr has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the Beta Club, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Art Club, the Smoky Mountain Youth Leadership Program, the Student Government, and the Future Business Leaders of America, and serving as a valuable member of the Pigeon Forge volleyball, bowling, and track and field teams; and

WHEREAS, in addition to working diligently on her studies, Sarah served with acumen and alacrity as a courtesy clerk at Kroger and a clerk at Three Bears General Store, where she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike due to the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her singular achievements in both academics and athletics, Sarah has received numerous awards and honors, including inclusion in the Honor Roll, the National Honor Society, and *Whose Who Among American High School Students*, participation in the Youth Leadership Conference, and receipt of the Outstanding Student of America award, the Outstanding Achievement in Art Award, the Honors Biology Award, the Academic Excellence Award for Basketball, the Academic Excellence Award for Volleyball, the Juror's Choice Award at the Arrowmont School Student Art Show, the Academic Recognition for Computer Applications, the Most Promising Young Artist Award for Advanced Art, and All District 3AA Volleyball honors; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Sarah Carr has endeavored to serve her fellow citizens by organizing a book drive, hatching and raising wild turkeys for release back into the wild, sponsoring a gift box for the Samaritan's Purse Project, sponsoring a Zawati Bag, and collecting clothing for the Haiti Earthquake Relief Effort; and

WHEREAS, a young woman of faith, Sarah is an active and devout member of the First Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Carr's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Carr's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her mother, Pamela Carr, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Sarah's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2011 Pigeon Forge High School Valedictorian, Sarah Nancy Carr, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

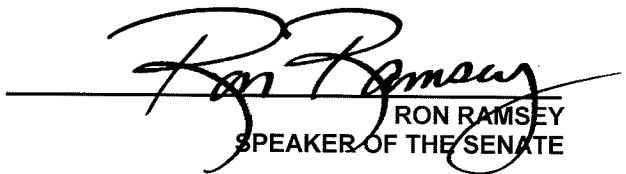
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: MAY 19, 2011

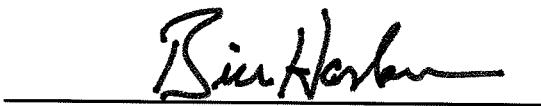


BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 26th day of May 2011



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR